IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

SOLARI et al.

Application No.: 0

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For:

PROCESS FOR PREPARING DOXORUBICIN

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

December 6, 2000

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments without prejudice.

In the claims:

Please amend claims 1-10 as follows:

Claim 1, line 1, please delete "A" and substitute -- An isolated -- therefore.

Claim 2, line 1, please delete "A" and substitute -- The isolated -- therefore.

Claim 3, line 1, please delete "A" and substitute -- The isolated -- therefore.

Claim 4, line 1, please delete "A" and substitute -- The isolated -- therefore.

Claim 5, line 1, please delete "A" and substitute -- The isolated -- therefore.

Claim 6, line 1, please insert --isolated-- before "DNA".

Claim 7, line 1, please insert -- isolated -- before "DNA".